

*Sunday, January 11, 2004*

## Refitted 'Future 2' takes to the Tigris

Story and photo by Spc. Ryan Smith, 372nd MPAD

BAGHDAD, Iraq -- For the first time since the fall of Saddam Hussein's regime, Baghdad has a fireboat patrolling the Tigris River.

The Future 2, a fireboat found looted and inoperable by soldiers of the 40th Engineer Battalion, 1st Armored Division, has been repaired and has been on duty for about a month.

The boat was formally rededicated by 1st Armored Division soldiers and Iraqi firefighters in a ribbon-cutting and christening ceremony on the Tigris near where it was found.

Soldiers discovered the fire boat during the summer on the bank of the Tigris near the 14th of July Bridge. They saw its potential for use in river patrols and search and rescue, said Maj. Robert J. Bayham, 40th Engineer Battalion operations officer.

"This was a great opportunity for the coalition forces to help improve public services for Iraqi citizens," he said.

The unit hired a contractor with experience in marine repair to rebuild the boat, he said. Original plans called for turning the craft over to the Iraqi Police Service. However, the police did not have the means to maintain or man the vessel, so it was turned over to the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps, which includes the fire department.

The \$12,000, 40-day repair project on Future 2 included rebuilding the engine, repairing the water cannons and repainting the hull and deck.

The overhaul was completed about a month ago, and the boat has been in service since then, said Capt. Mark St. Laurent, executive officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 354th Civil Affairs



**The Future 2, Baghdad's first active fire patrol boat since the fall of the Saddam Hussein regime, pulls into the dock during the boat's rededication ceremony on the banks of the Tigris River in Baghdad.**

Brigade, an Army Reserve unit from Riverdale, Md. The 354th CA is a part of Task Force 1st Armored Division.

Before the war, the civil defense service had 12 boats, including the Future 2, for patrolling the river. Now, the Future 2 is the only boat in use. Though the rest were stolen, damaged or destroyed. Projects to restore more boats are being planned.

Although the boat is designed to put out fires, its will probably be used for search and rescue or recovery operations and to assist other water craft in distress on the Tigris, Bayham said.

St. Laurent, a firefighter and paramedic in Washington, D.C., said that there is an international brotherhood between firefighters. "It does not make a difference what part of the world we're in, we are one."

# The Old Ironsides Report

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## News...

### Saddam's POW Status Won't Deter Trial

WASHINGTON (AP) - Saddam Hussein has been a prisoner of war since his capture last month, the Pentagon says, and the designation will not keep the deposed Iraqi president from standing trial before an Iraqi tribunal. Whether Saddam is a prisoner of war could be key to how he is treated in captivity and eventually put on trial. The Geneva Conventions on treatment of prisoners of war forbid any kind of coercion in POW interrogations, for example.

### Temperatures Hit Record Lows in Northeast

BOSTON (AP) - Temperatures dropped well below zero Saturday across the Northeast, making it the coldest day in a decade for some cities and keeping all but the hardiest people indoors. St. Johnsbury, Vt., led the list of records Saturday with a low of 27 below zero, the National Weather Service said.

### U.S. Group Visits N. Korea Nuke Complex

BEIJING (AP) - Members of an unofficial American delegation to North Korea said Saturday they visited the communist country's disputed Yongbyon nuclear complex, which has been closed to outsiders since U.N. inspectors were expelled more than a year ago. The five Americans, who returned Saturday to Beijing, were allowed to see everything they requested, said John W. Lewis, a Stanford University professor emeritus of international relations.

### Blast at Indonesian Cafe Kills Four

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) - An explosion ripped through a crowded cafe in central Indonesia on Saturday night, killing four people and wounding three others, police said. The blast appeared to be from a bomb planted in the cafe in the town of Palopo on South Sulawesi province, said Maj. Wisnu Wirdata.

### Mars Rover Sends Geology Data to Earth

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) - NASA's Spirit rover unfolded its wheels, stood up atop its lander and took in its surroundings with infrared vision for the first time since arriving on Mars a week ago. Problems clearing airbags from a ramp on the lander have delayed plans to roll the rover down to the Martian surface by at least another week, but Spirit hasn't been idle. While it waits aboard the lander, its technology has detected traces of minerals that could have formed in an ancient lake that scientists believe once covered its landing site.

## Chaplain's thought for the day...

### Involvement

Tell me; I'll forget. Show me; I may remember. But involve me and I'll understand. - Chinese proverb.

## In other news...

### Funeral Flub: 'Dead Man' Turns Up in Jail

NEW ORLEANS (AP) -- When mourners showed up in north Alabama for Finley Christopher Farley's funeral, they were told that the dearly departed had not departed.

He was just being detained in a New Orleans jail cell.

Farley's parents, Eugene and Marion, made funeral arrangements in Decatur, Ala., for their son after the Orleans Parish coroner told them their son had died in a hotel room. A death notice was put in their local newspaper and a service was set for Thursday.

But as the death notice rolled off the presses, Farley was sitting in jail after being booked on charges of crack cocaine possession and public drunkenness. New Orleans police had arrested Farley early Monday in the French Quarter, authorities said.

Exactly how his name got connected with another man's corpse remains a mystery, as does the identity of the dead man.

A manager for the New Orleans funeral home that handled the body said it came tagged with Farley's name from the Orleans Parish coroner.

John Gagliano, chief coroner's investigator, said the office would have no comment.

Farley's parents could not be reached, but a lawyer they have consulted described them as quite shaken by the whole affair.

"I'm not sure at this point who is at fault, but there are multiple entities in Louisiana that bear some blame," said attorney Brian Oakes.

From the New Orleans funeral home's perspective, it could have been worse.

"Fortunately, we just picked him up and shipped him out. Thank God we didn't cremate him," said Billy Henry, general manager for Tharp-Sontheimer funeral home.

For Parkway Funeral Home in Trinity, Ala., the situation was slightly more complicated.

"It's been a big mess here," funeral director Michael Coffee said. "We had people showing up for the visitation and then the funeral today, and we had to tell them the guy's still alive."

Farley's arrest sparked the chain of events that finally confirmed to his grieving parents that he was still alive. On Tuesday morning, the day after he was booked, a defense lawyer trawling for clients picked up Farley's name from a list at the jail, and mailed him a letter offering to represent him, Coffee said.

His parents got the letter Wednesday and called the lawyer, who told them their son was alive and in jail.

Coffee said the coroner's office told him the dead man was discovered with Farley's identification in a hotel room rented by Farley. The office did not say how the man died, Coffee said.

Coffee said he did not intend to bill Farley's parents for the funeral.

"It's not their fault," he said.

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Start Time	SPORTS	ATLANTIC	SPECTRUM	PACIFIC	NEWS	Start Time
00:00		FOX NFL SUNDAY	THE DIVISION : - DON'T ASK		FOX NEWS LIVE	00:00
00:30		NFL - 2003 NFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS: CAROLINA PANTHERS @ ST. LOUIS RAMS		NFL - 2003 NFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS: CAROLINA PANTHERS @ ST. LOUIS RAMS		00:30
01:00	COLLEGE BASKETBALL - CUSA: MEMPHIS @ SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI		TRUE GRIT		FOX NEWS LIVE	01:00
02:00					HEADLINE NEWS	02:00
02:30					MCLAUGHLIN GROUP	02:30
03:00	PGA TOUR - MERCEDES CHAMPIONSHIPS: THIRD ROUND		SWAMP CRITTERS OF THE LOST LAGOON : - BAYOU JUMBALAYA JUBILEE		CAPITAL GANG	03:00
03:30		THE NFL TODAY	HARVEST WITH GREG LAURIE - HOW TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE	THE NFL TODAY		03:30
04:00		NFL - 2003 AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS: TENNESSEE TITANS @ NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	MUSIC AND THE SPOKEN WORD	NFL - 2003 AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS: TENNESSEE TITANS @ NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	WASHINGTON WEEK IN REVIEW	04:00
04:30			REAL VIDEOS : - MICHAEL W. SMITH		HEADLINE NEWS	04:30
05:00			THE SIMPSONS : - HOMER THE GREAT		PEOPLE IN THE NEWS	05:00
05:30			MALCOLM IN THE MIDDLE			05:30
06:00			EVERYBODY LOVES RAYMOND : - THE ANGRY FAMILY		CNN SATURDAY NIGHT	06:00
06:30	SPORTSCENTER		THE KING OF QUEENS : - STRIKE OUT			06:30
07:00		HEADLINE NEWS	AMERICAN DREAMS : - ACT OF CONTRITION	102 DALMATIONS	DATeline INTERNATIONAL	07:00
07:30		HOOR OF POWER - THE POSITIVE POWER OF ONE PERSON				07:30
08:00	NFL PRIMETIME	CELEBRATION OF VICTORY : - A POWERFUL PRAYER TO PRAY	MAGNUM P.I. : - PARADISE BLUES		LARRY KING LIVE	08:00
08:30	COLLEGE GAMENIGHT	CORAL RIDGE HOUR - WHOLLY FOLLOWING THE LORD				08:30
09:00	GOLF - PGA OF AMERICA YEAR IN REVIEW	THE WORD IN THE WORLD : - THE STORY OF SARAH AND HAGAR	FAMILY TIES : - WHERE'S PAPA	MOTORWEEK	AT LARGE WITH GERALDO RIVERA	09:00
09:30		CAFE VIDEO : - BEST LIVE PERFORMANCES FROM THE PAST	THE COSBY SHOW : - THE BOYS OF WINTER	EBERT & ROEPER AT THE MOVIES		09:30
10:00	SPORTSCENTER	WISHBONE : - FLEABITTEN BARGAIN	CHIPS : - VINTAGE '54	WWE SMACKDOWN!	BELTWAY BOYS	10:00
10:30		SESAME STREET SPECIALS : - BASIL HEARS A NOISE			FOX NEWS WATCH	10:30
11:00	FIGURE SKATING - U.S. FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP: PART I	102 DALMATIONS	SWAMP CRITTERS OF THE LOST LAGOON : - BAYOU JUMBALAYA JUBILEE	ANDROMEDA : - THE ILLUSION OF MAJESTY	HEADLINE NEWS	11:00
11:30			HARVEST WITH GREG LAURIE - HOW TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE		AMERICA'S BLACK FORUM	11:30
12:00			MUSIC AND THE SPOKEN WORD	HEADLINE NEWS	THE CHRIS MATTHEWS SHOW	12:00
12:30			REAL VIDEOS : - MICHAEL W. SMITH	ESPNEWS	NAVY/MARINE CORP NEWS - PROD YEAR	12:30
13:00	SPORTSCENTER	MOTORWEEK	THE SIMPSONS : - HOMER THE GREAT	JUDGING AMY : - EVERY STRANGER'S FACE I SEE	BIG STORY WEEKEND EDITION	13:00
13:30		EBERT & ROEPER AT THE MOVIES	MALCOLM IN THE MIDDLE			13:30
14:00	NFL PRIMETIME	HEADLINE NEWS	EVERYBODY LOVES RAYMOND : - THE ANGRY FAMILY	PERFECT MURDER, A	CNN PRESENTS	14:00
14:30	COLLEGE GAMENIGHT	AIR FORCE TV NEWS	THE KING OF QUEENS : - STRIKE OUT			14:30
15:00	NHL - NY RANGERS @ NY ISLANDERS	COLLEGE BASKETBALL - PAC-10: STANFORD @ ARIZONA	AMERICAN DREAMS : - ACT OF CONTRITION		FOX & FRIENDS	15:00
16:00			MAGNUM P.I. : - PARADISE BLUES	HEADLINE NEWS	FOX & FRIENDS	16:00
16:30				SEINFELD : - THE PICK		16:30
17:00		SPORTSCENTER	FAMILY TIES : - WHERE'S PAPA	MEET THE PRESS	CBS NEWS SUNDAY MORNING	17:00
17:30			THE COSBY SHOW : - THE BOYS OF WINTER			17:30
18:00	THE SPORTS REPORTERS	WWE SMACKDOWN!	CHIPS : - VINTAGE '54	AMERICA'S BLACK FORUM		18:00
18:30	SPORTSCENTER			ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT	FACE THE NATION	18:30
19:00	NFL COUNTDOWN	ANDROMEDA : - THE ILLUSION OF MAJESTY	SWAMP CRITTERS OF THE LOST LAGOON : - BAYOU JUMBALAYA JUBILEE		HEADLINE NEWS	19:00
19:30			HARVEST WITH GREG LAURIE - HOW TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE	ESPNEWS	NAVY/MARINE CORP NEWS - PROD YEAR	19:30
20:00		THE NFL TODAY	MUSIC AND THE SPOKEN WORD	THE NFL TODAY	LATE EDITION W/ WOLF BLITZER	20:00
20:30			REAL VIDEOS : - MICHAEL W. SMITH			20:30
21:00	MOTORCYCLE RACING - 2004 THQ WORLD SUPERCROSS GP (250CC) PHOENIX	NFL - 2003 AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS: INDIANAPOLIS COLTS AT KANSAS CITY CHIEFS	THE SIMPSONS : - HOMER THE GREAT	NFL - 2003 AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS: INDIANAPOLIS COLTS AT KANSAS CITY CHIEFS		21:00
21:30			MALCOLM IN THE MIDDLE			21:30
22:00	ESPNEWS		EVERYBODY LOVES RAYMOND : - THE ANGRY FAMILY		FOX NEWS LIVE	22:00
22:30	NBA FASTBREAK		THE KING OF QUEENS : - STRIKE OUT			22:30
23:00	ESPNEWS		AMERICAN DREAMS : - ACT OF CONTRITION		FOX NEWS LIVE	23:00
23:30	ESPNEWS					23:30

*Today in history... Jan. 11, 1928*

## **STALIN BANISHES TROTSKY:**

Leon Trotsky, a leader of the Bolshevik revolution and early architect of the Soviet state, is deported by Soviet leader Joseph Stalin to Alma-Ata in remote Soviet Central Asia. He lived there in internal exile for a year before being banished from the USSR forever by Stalin.

Born in the Ukraine of Russian-Jewish parents in 1879, Trotsky embraced Marxism as a teenager and later dropped out of the University of Odessa to help organize the underground South Russian Workers' Union. In 1898, he was arrested for his revolutionary activities and sent to prison. In 1900, he was exiled to Siberia.

In 1902, he escaped to England using a forged passport under the name of Leon Trotsky (his original name was Lev Davidovich Bronshtein). In London, he collaborated with Bolshevik revolutionary Vladimir Ilyich Lenin but later sided with the Menshevik factions that advocated a democratic approach to socialism. With the outbreak of the Russian Revolution of 1905, Trotsky returned to Russia and was again exiled to Siberia when the revolution collapsed. In 1907, he again escaped.

During the next decade, he was expelled from a series of countries because of his radicalism, living in Switzerland, Paris, Spain, and New York City before returning to Russia at the outbreak of the revolution in 1917. Trotsky played a leading role in the Bolsheviks' seizure of power, conquering most of Petrograd before Lenin's triumphant return in November.

Appointed Lenin's secretary of foreign affairs, he negotiated with the Germans for an end to Russian involvement in World War I. In 1918, he became war commissioner and set about building up the Red Army, which succeeded in defeating anti-Communist opposition in the Russian Civil War. In the early 1920s, Trotsky seemed the heir apparent of Lenin, but he lost out in the struggle of succession after Lenin fell ill in 1922.

In 1924, Lenin died, and Joseph Stalin emerged as leader of the USSR. Against Stalin's stated policies, Trotsky called for a continuing world revolution that would inevitably result in the dismantling of the Soviet state. He also criticized the new regime for suppressing democracy in the Communist Party and for failing to develop adequate economic planning. In response, Stalin and his supporters launched a propaganda counterattack against Trotsky. In 1925, he was removed from his post in the war commissariat. One year later, he was expelled from the Politburo and in 1927 from the Communist Party. In January 1928, Trotsky began his internal exile in Alma-Ata and the next January was expelled from the Soviet Union outright.

He was received by the government of Turkey and settled on the island of Prinkipo, where he worked on finishing his autobiography and history of the Russian Revolution. After four years in Turkey, Trotsky lived in France and then Norway and in 1936 was granted asylum in Mexico. Settling with his family in a suburb of Mexico City, he was found guilty of treason in absentia during Stalin's purges of his political foes. He survived a machine-gun attack on his home but on August 20, 1940, fell prey to a Spanish Communist, Ramón Mercader, who fatally wounded him with an ice-ax. He died from his wounds the next day.



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## **SUNDAY**



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**CHIEFS**



**PACKERS**



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